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Dear Residents, Families, and Friends,

As I write this final letter of the year, I hope that the year of 2023 will find you well and filled with hope for a new year which brings health and happiness to us all.

We continue our COVID-19 testing bi-weekly and I am so grateful as always to let you know that our Residents and Sisters are doing well. However, I am sorry to say that two of our staff have tested positive and are in quarantine at present.

Several staff members and Little Sisters who were in isolation have been cleared to return to work. All precautionary measures already in place will be continued along with any additional guidance of the CMS, CDC and NJ DOH. Due to these most recent results, we are still in outbreak status. You may recall from a previous letter that CDC and NJ DOH require that the Residents remain in their rooms until we have two consecutive weeks of negative test results for 100% of Residents, staff, and Sisters.

Although our Residents had to stay in their rooms for Christmas, they were able to watch a beautiful Mass from the Chapel on their TVs. The Residents also enjoyed a delicious Christmas dinner served to them in their rooms. A special New Year's Day meal is also on the menu for this Sunday.

It is our fervent prayer that these weeks of isolation will soon end and we will be able to enjoy each other's company and comradery once again.

God bless you, stay safe, and do not forget to pray for us too! We have lots to look forward to in 2023, most of all, we know we have a heavenly Father, who never takes His eyes off of us!

Gratefully,

Mother Mary Thomas, lsp